



## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Notice of Proposed New Fee Sites

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed new fee sites.

**SUMMARY:** The Modoc National Forest is proposing to charge new fees at 17 recreation sites listed in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of this notice. Funds from fees would be used for operation, maintenance, and improvements of these recreation sites. An analysis of nearby developed recreation sites with similar amenities shows the proposed fees are reasonable and typical of similar sites in the area.

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**DATES:** If approved, the new fees would be implemented no earlier than six months following the publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.

**ADDRESSES:** Modoc National Forest, 225 West 8th Street, Alturas, CA 96101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chris Bielecki, Forest Engineer, 530-233-8850 or [christopher.s.bielecki@usda.gov](mailto:christopher.s.bielecki@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VII, Pub. L. 108-447) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a six-month advance notice in the *Federal Register* whenever new recreation fee areas are established. The fees are only proposed at this time and will be determined upon further analysis and public comment. Reasonable fees, paid by users of these sites, will help ensure that the Forest can continue maintaining and improving recreation sites like this for future generations.

As part of this proposal, the Schonchin Springs campground proposes a \$10 per night fee. A \$15 per night fee and a \$5 extra vehicle fee are proposed at Stough Reservoir, Pepperdine, Pepperdine Equestrian, Cave Lake, East Creek, and Patterson campgrounds. In addition, this proposal would implement a new fee at one recreation rental: Patterson Guard Station at \$75 per

night. A \$5 day-use fee per vehicle for Medicine Lake day use area is also proposed. The full suite of Interagency passes would be honored.

New fees would provide increased visitor opportunities, as well as increased staffing to address operations and maintenance needs and enhance customer service. Once public involvement is complete, these new fees will be reviewed by a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee prior to a final decision and implementation.

Advanced reservations for campgrounds and the cabin will be available through [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) or by calling 1-877-444-6777. The reservation service charges an \$8.00 fee for reservations.

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